

Amendment to the Specification:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph in the specification beginning at page 1, line 6, as follows:

-- This application is a continuation in part of co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 09/930,878 (~~Attorney Docket No. YHOOP001~~) entitled SHARING AND IMPLEMENTING INSTANT MESSAGING ENVIRONMENTS filed 8/15/2001, which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes; and U.S. Patent Application No. 10/613,985 (~~Attorney Docket No. YHOOP006~~) entitled MESSENGER-CONTROLLED APPLICATIONS IN AN INSTANT MESSAGING ENVIRONMENT filed 7/2/2003, which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes. --